

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1022 - HB 839**

February 8, 2013

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Changes, from September 30 to August 30, the date by which at-risk children must reach four years of age to enter prekindergarten for the 2013-204 academic year, and from September 30 to August 15 for all subsequent academic years. Authorizes additional children who participate in a pre-kindergarten program administered by a private school or a Head Start program during the 2012-2013 or 2013-2014 academic years, to enter kindergarten in the 2013-2014 or 2014-2015 academic years respectively.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- No change in the number of pre-kindergarten classrooms. No change in state or local pre-kindergarten funding.
- Under current law, children who attended a local education agency administered pre-kindergarten program may enter kindergarten even if they have not reached the age of five by August 31.
- Based on information provided by the Comptroller and the Department of Education, authorizing additional children from private or Head Start pre-kindergarten programs to enter kindergarten by the same deadline will have no fiscal impact on state or local expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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